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Subject: RE: MSDS
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Most of these foam products contain PFAS compounds which are carcinogenic, known endocrine disruptors, do not biodegrade and bioaccumulate. NJDEP current regulates these compounds at low parts per trillion levels in groundwater. The foam product used by DEP does not contain PFAS compounds and appears to use a biodegradable foaming agent. It appears to be a much better choice than a PFAS-based foam, especially when used near a brook which drains to a reservoir.

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So foam product used for the brush fire doesn't cause any concern?

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From: Gowers, Joe [<mailto:Gowers.Joe@epa.gov>]
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Thanks Scott. It's good to know that DEP is not using a PFAS-based foam.
Joe

From: Scott Heck <sheck@ringwoodnj.net>
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Joe,

As per your request the New Jersey Forest Fire Service used the attached foam on the brush fire.

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